

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA BRANCH
OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES COURTS IN THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT**

June 21, 2002

The annual meeting of the Southern District of Iowa Branch of the Historical Society of the United States Courts in the Eighth Circuit was held on Friday, June 21, 2002, at the United States District Courthouse in Des Moines, Iowa. Present were President F. Richard Lyford, Vice-President Russell Lovell, Treasurer Nancy Adams, Magistrate Judges Celeste Bremer and Ross Walters, Marc Harding, William Garretson, former President and District Historian, Richard Peterson, Bill Miller and Steven Colloton.

The minutes of the last annual meeting and the Treasurer's report were approved. As of June 21, 2002, the Treasury has a balance of \$5,043.72.

President Lyford reported on the activities of the Branch. President Lyford reported that a display of the Polk County Bar Law Day poetry and art work would be made at the courthouse in the display cases available there. The Federal Bar Association has agreed to assist in the cost of mounting some of the art work and poetry for display. Magistrate Judge Bremer reported on the activities of the archivist hired last year and her report was submitted. Marc Harding volunteered to use his state-of-the-art video equipment for the work that needed to be done for the retirement video of Judge Wolle and for the retirement video of Judge Hill. Magistrate Richard Peterson gave the Historian's report as the historian for the Southern District of Iowa. He presented certain materials for the archives.

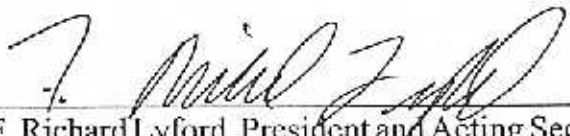
Ideas for promoting membership in the Branch were discussed. There are currently 90 members, 16 members in good standing. Judge Walters is the Chairman of the Federal Practice Committee of the Iowa State Bar Association and "check-off" procedure was discussed so that persons who come to the December Federal Practice Seminar would have the opportunity to become members of the Southern District Historical Society.

The elections of officers was then held. Mailed ballots and the unanimous vote of those present elected the slate of existing officers for the coming year. The officers for next year are:

President	F. Richard Lyford
Vice President	Russell Lovell
Secretary	Helen C. Adams
Treasurer	Nancy Adams

A resolution was then passed unanimously thanking Tom Baker for contributions as a professor of Constitutional Law at Drake and the president was directed to write a letter thanking him. The president was also directed to send a birthday card to George Mills, the author of the book, No One is Above the Law.

The meeting was adjourned.



F. Richard Lyford, President and Acting Secretary